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In re Application of

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For: INTEGRATED ELECTRONIC SCALE, AND A SYSTEM AND METHOD WHICH  
USES THE SCALE AUTOMATICALLY TO COMPUTE POSTAL/CARRIER RATES

**TERMINAL DISCLAIMER**

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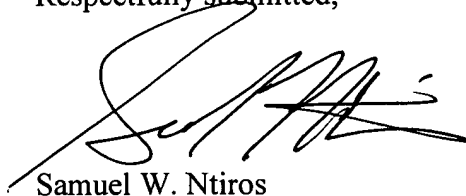
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